



**FISF**  
FIRE INVESTIGATOR STRIKE FORCE



# **SECOND ANNUAL FIRE INVESTIGATION TRAINING CONFERENCE**

**May 31, 2023 – June 2, 2023**

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

**The conference is free, but seats are limited!**

**Topics Include: Scene Reconstruction, Appliances,  
Investigating Fatal Fires, Case Studies, and More**

## **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

This conference is hosted and presented by the Chicago Fire Department, Fire Investigation Strike Force, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). It is open to all Federal, State, and local investigators and prosecutors involved in any capacity with the investigation and prosecution of acts of arson, fire, and explosives events. This training will be suitable for any members of law enforcement, fire service, and prosecution personnel involved with the technical aspects of these types of cases or investigations.

*The conference is being offered at no cost to those attending. However, personnel attending will be responsible for their own travel, lodging, and other miscellaneous travel expenses such as food.*

Those attending will need to RSVP their seat at the conference by contacting Chicago Fire Department Training Officer Granat. The attached registration form for the conference must be returned to Training Officer Granat no later than Monday, May 1, 2023 to reserve a seat.

*Seats are limited and only persons who have completed the attached registration form will be permitted in the conference.* Registrations are processed in the order received. You will be notified if you are admitted or waitlisted when your registration is processed. Please immediately notify Training Officer Granat if you must cancel your registration.

## **DATES AND TIMES:**

May 31, 2023 - June 2, 2023, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily

## **LOCATION:**

Moraine Valley Community College  
9000 W College Pkwy  
Palos Hills, Illinois, 60465-2478

## **PARKING:**

Parking is available on the grounds and is free of charge.

## **LODGING:**

Lodging and all travel at your expense.

## **LUNCH:**

On your own. Lunch will be held from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. daily.

# SCHEDULE

## **Wednesday, May 31**

7:00 - 8:00

Registration

8:00 - 9:00

Welcome, Orientation, and Overview

(Commanding Fire Marshal Ryan Rivera, CFD OFI; ATF Chicago Field Division)

9:00 - 12:00

Fire Detection Systems

(Jeffery Wynn, Fox Valley Fire & Safety)

12:00 - 1:00

Lunch

1:00 - 2:00

Case Study: Spontaneous Combustion

(Fire Marshal Richard O'Connor, CFD OFI)

2:00 - 4:00

Flame Front Migration Towards Ventilation in Compartment Fires

(SA/CFI Cassandra Jones, ATF Indianapolis)

4:00 - 5:00

ATF/WCU Burned Remains Research

(SA/CFI Ellen Michelin, ATF Chicago)

## **Thursday, June 1**

8:00 - 12:00

Appliance Examinations and Inspections

(PE Cameron Novak, ATF Fire Research Laboratory)

12:00 - 1:00

Lunch

1:00 - 5:00

Scene Excavation and Reconstruction

(Supervisory Fire Marshal William Granat & Assistant Commanding Fire Marshal Bradley Batka, CFD OFI)

## **Friday, June 2**

8:00 - 12:00

Fatal Fires: Examining the Scene

(Supervisory Fire Marshal William Granat, CFD OFI; Lieutenant Brian Adcock, Frankfort Fire Protection District)

12:00 - 1:00

Lunch

1:00 - 4:00

Fatal Fires: Conducting the Investigation

(Supervisory Fire Marshal William Granat, CFD OFI; Lieutenant Brian Adcock, Frankfort Fire Protection District)

4:00 - 5:00

Closing Discussion, Questions, and Certificates

# REGISTRATION FORM

**ATTN: Bill Granat, CFD Training Coordinator**

## CFD Office of Fire Investigations/ATF Chicago Field Division Second Annual Fire Investigation Training Conference

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(as you wish for it to appear on your certificate)

AGENCY REPRESENTING: \_\_\_\_\_  
(as you wish for it to appear on your certificate)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
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EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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This registration form must be completed in full and returned to Bill Granat via email at [William.Granat@cityofchicago.org](mailto:William.Granat@cityofchicago.org) (preferred) or via fax to 312-747-1967.

Please direct any questions concerning the training to Bill Granat via email or at phone number 312-286-7596.